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SUBJECT: UNCTAD TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD (TDB) CONSI-  
DERATION OF SHIPPING COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE

1. G-77 AND GROUP D HAVE PROPOSED A DRAFT TDB DECISION  
APPROVING AN ADDENDUM TO THE TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE  
COMMITTEE ON SHIPPING (COS). GROUP B HAS CONSISTENLY  
ARGUED THAT THIS ADDENDUM SHOULD BE REVIEWED BY THE COS BE-  
FORE FINAL APPROVAL BY THE TDB, THUS FAR WITHOUT SUCCESS.  
DELEGATION REQUESTS INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE OPENING OF  
BUSINESS IN GENEVA FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, IN THE EVENT,  
AS APPEARS INCREASINGLY LIKELY, A VOTE IS CALLED ON THIS  
ISSUE. MOST GROUP B MEMBERS INTEND TO ABSTAIN, ALTHOUGH  
GERMANY AT PRESENT IS CONSIDERING A NEGATIVE VOTE AND  
U.K. CAN APPROVE PROPOSED TERMS WITH MINOR AMENDMENTS.  
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DELEGATION SUGGESTS WE JOIN A GROUP B CONSENSUS TO  
ABSTAIN. PROPOSED DRAFT DECISION AND ADDENDUM TO THE  
COS TERMS OF REFERENCE FOLLOW:

2. BEGIN TEXT: DRAFT DECISION SUBMITTED BY COLOMBIA  
ON BEHALF OF THE STATES MEMBERS OF THE GROUP OF 77

THE TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD,  
RECALLING ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL RESOLUTION 2098  
(LXIII) AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 32/206,

RECALLING ALSO COMMITTEE ON SHIPPING DECISION 34 (VIII),

BEARING IN MIND THE INCREASING INTERDEPENDENCE OF  
DIFFERENT MODES OF TRANSPORT IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE,  
HAVING CONSIDERED THE NOTE AND PROPOSALS BY THE UNCTAD  
SECRETARIAT ON THE REVIEW OF THE TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE  
COMMITTEE ON SHIPPING, (SEE NOTE)

RECOGNIZING THAT THERE IS NO MORE COMPETENT BODY WITHIN  
UNCTAD THAN THE COMMITTEE ON SHIPPING TO WHICH THE WORK  
ON THE GLOBAL ASPECTS OF MULTIMODAL TRANSPORT AND CONTAIN-  
ERIZATION SHOULD BE ASSIGNED,

1.) DECIDES TO ADOPT AN ADDENDUM TO THE TERMS OF REFERENCE  
OF THE COMMITTEE ON SHIPPING, AS ATTACHED;

2.) REQUESTS THE COMMITTEE ON SHIPPING AT ITS NINTH SESSION  
TO CONSIDER AND ADOPT ITS PROGRAMME OF WORK IN RESPECT OF  
MULTIMODAL TRANSPORT AND CONTAINERIZATION, TAKING INTO  
ACCOUNT THE ADOPTED ADDENDUM;

3.) REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF UNCTAD TO PREPARE,  
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IN CLOSE CO-OPERATION WITH THE INTER-GOVERNMENTAL MARITIME  
CONSULTATIVE ORGANIZATION, THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONS AND  
OTHER RELEVANT UNITED NATIONS ORGANIZATIONS, A NOTE  
CONTAINING SUGGESTIONS FOR A PROGRAMME OF WORK OF THE  
COMMITTEE ON SHIPPING IN RESPECT OF MULTIMODAL TRANSPORT  
AND CONTAINERIZATION TO ASSIST THE COMMITTEE IN ITS  
CONSIDERATION.

(NOTE) TD/B/L.476, TD/B/L.497 AND ADD.1  
END TEXT DRAFT DECISION.

3. BEGIN TEXT: PROPOSED ADDENDUM TO THE TERMS OF  
REFERENCE OF THE COMMITTEE ON SHIPPING (AMENDED)

THE TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD, IN PURSUANCE OF ECONOMIC  
AND SOCIAL COUNCIL RESOLUTION 2098 (LXIII) AND GENERAL  
ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 32/206, DECIDES TO INCLUDE THE WORK  
ON THE GLOBAL ASPECTS OF MULTIMODAL TRANSPORT AND CONTAIN-  
ERIZATION WHEREVER THERE IS A SEA LINK TO THE COMMITTEE  
ON SHIPPING TO BE PERFORMED IN CO-ORDINATION WITH ALL  
RELEVANT BODIES CONCERNED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING  
TERMS OF REFERENCE WITH RESPECT TO EACH OF WHICH IT WOULD

CO-OPERATE CLOSELY WITH AND SUPPORT THE PROGRAMMES OF THE APPROPRIATE INTERNATIONAL BODIES, ESPECIALLY THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONS AND MODAL SPECIALIST ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS THE INTER-GOVERNMENTAL MARITIME CONSULTATIVE ORGANIZATION AND THE INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION.

- 1.) TO PROMOTE UNDERSTANDING AND CO-OPERATION IN THE FIELD OF MULTIMODAL TRANSPORT AND CONTAINERIZATION AND TO BE AVAILABLE FOR THE HARMONIZATION OF THE RELEVANT POLICIES OF GOVERNMENTS AND REGIONAL ECONOMIC GROUPINGS WHICH FALL WITHIN THE COMPETENCE OF THE TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD.
  - 2.) TO STUDY, MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS, AND UNDELRAKE MEASURES WHERE APPROPRIATE ON THE WAYS IN WHICH INTERNATIONAL MULTIMODAL TRANSPORT CAN MOST APPROPRIATELY CONTRI-
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BUTE TO THE ACCELERATED DEVELOPMENT AND FACILITATION OF

INTERNATIONAL TRADE, IN PARTICULAR OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. PARTICULAR ATTENTION SHOULD BE PAID TO THE ECONOMIC AND RELATED ANALYSIS OF INTERNATIONAL MULTIMODAL TRANSPORT, INCLUDING ITS EFFECT ON TRADE, THE BALANCE OF PAYMENTS, AND MARKETING AND TOTAL DISTRIBUTION COSTS, AS WELL AS TO THE RELATED POLICIES AND LEGISLATION OF GOVERNMENTS ON MATTERS WHICH FALL WITHIN THE COMPETENCE OF THE TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD.

3.) TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS DESIGNED TO PROMOTE THE INTERESTS OF SHIPPERS AND THE PARTICIPATION OF MULTIMODAL TRANSPORT OPERATORS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN INTERNATIONAL ADE.

4.) TO PROMOTE ASSISTANCE TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND TO UNCLASSIFIED

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SUPPORT THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONS AND THE MODAL SPECIALIST ORGANIZATIONS ON QUESTIONS CONNECTED WITH THE ECONOMIC AND RELATED ASPECTS OF TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE FIELD OF MULTIMODAL TRANSPORT, INCLUDING CONTAINERIZATION AND OTHER SYSTEMS OF UNITIZATION.

5.) TO REVIEW THE ACTIVITIES OF OTHER INSTITUTIONS WITHIN THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM AND INTERNATIONAL OR INTER-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS CONCERNING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND INTERNATIONAL FINANCING AND AID IN THE FIELD OF MULTIMODAL TRANSPORT AND CONTAINERIZATION AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS IN ORDER TO FACILITATE THE CO-ORDINATION OF THESE ACTIVITIES BY THE APPROPRIATE UNITED NATIONS BODIES. END TEXT PROPOSED ADDENDUM.

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